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SUBJ: 59TH ECOSOC: ITEM NO. 9--REVIEW AND APPRAISAL

1. REVIEW AND APPRAISAL ITEM WAS OPENED 23 JULY WITH STATEMENT OF SECRETARY GENERAL FOR TOURISM, FOLLOWED BY STATEMENT BY DEMOCRATIC YEMEN, PAKISTAN, UGANDA, IRAN AND FIJI, ALL OF WHOM SUPPORTED DRAFT RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY APPROVE THE ADDITION OF BANGLADESH, CAR, DEMOCRATIC YEMEN AND GAMBIA TO THE LIST OF HARD CORE LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES. TEXT BEING SENT SEPTEL.

2. MONGOLIA AND SRI LANKA (OBSERVER) SPOKE TO ENDORSE THE REPORT ON THE ROLE OF PUBLIC SECTOR IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND TO EMPHASIZE THE NEED FOR FULL AND DETAILED DISCUSSION OF THIS ITEM AT THE 30TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

3. NETHERLANDS SPOKE TO EMPHASIZE THAT THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY IS NOT DEAD BUT NEEDS REVISION AND STRENGTHENING.

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DUTCH DEL ALSO SAID THAT THE COMPREHENSIVE REVISION OF THE STRA-

TEGY PREPARED BY THE G-77 AT THE REVIEW AND APPRAISAL COMMITTEE MEETING WAS A GOOD BASIS FOR DISCUSSION SINCE IT RETAINS THE BASIC CONCEPT OF THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY, STRESSES THE IMPORTANCE OF AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT AND FOOD, BUT NOTED THAT SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT CONCERNS WERE NOT ADEQUATELY REPRESENTED.

4. ARGENTINE DEL IN LENGTHY STATEMENT EMPHASIZED THAT THE G-77 EFFORT TO PRODUCE A COMPREHENSIVE REVISION OF THE STRATEGY WAS A GREAT EFFORT WHICH SHOULD BE DISCUSSED AT THE 30TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN LIGHT OF DECISIONS TAKEN AT THE 7TH SPECIAL SESSION. HE EMPHASIZED THAT DEVELOPED COUNTRIES SHOULD NOT APPLY ECONOMIC COERCION OR OBSTACLES TO TRADE OF THE LDCS; THAT NEW PRINCIPLES TO PROTECT THE WEAKEST COUNTRIES ARE NEEDED; THAT A COMPREHENSIVE AND INTEGRATED SOLUTION TO LDC TRADE IS REQUIRED AND THAT THIS MEANS A REVISION OF THE GATT TO PROVIDE PREFERENTIAL AND NON-DISCRIMINATORY PROVISIONS FOR LDC TRADE. WITH RESPECT TO SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, HE SAID THERE IS NEED FOR REGIONAL INFORMATION CENTERS TO HELP LDCS OBTAIN INFORMATION IN THIS AREA AND TO HELP THEM NEGOTIATE BETTER AGREEMENTS. THESE ELEMENTS MUST BE REFLECTED IN THE STRATEGY AS THEY ARE IN THE DECLARATION OF CHAGUARAMAS. THE PRINCIPLES OF THE DAKAR CONFERENCE MUST ALSO BE REFLECTED AND IT MUST BE RECOGNIZED THAT ENERGY CAN ONLY BE DEALT WITH IN THE CONTEXT OF ALL OTHER RAW MATERIALS AND THAT FULL PARTICIPATION OF ALL COUNTRIES WOULD BE NEEDED IN THESE NEGOTIATIONS. HE NOTED STATEMENT BY SECRETARY GENERAL COREA AT UNCTAD COMMODITY MEETING TO THE EFFECT THAT COMMODITY PRICES HAVE DECREASED BY 17 PERCENT AND THE PRICES OF MANUFACTURES HAVE GONE UP BY SEVEN PERCENT OVER THE FIRST NINE MONTHS OF 1974. HE ASKED HIS STATEMENT BE REFLECTED BOTH IN THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING AND THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE.

5. COMMENT: ECOSOC DEL BELIEVES ARGENTINE STATEMENT IS FORESHADOWING OF THINGS TO COME IN 7TH SPECIAL SESSION AND 30TH UNGA.DALE

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